(c) According to information available, passport rackets of such nature have not been reported.

Conversion of Rail Lines in Orissa

1093. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been inordinate delays in the conversion of Naupada-Gunpur narrow gauge line in Orissa;

(b) whether it is proposed to be taken up during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government in that direction; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir. It is not an approved work.

(b) to (d) A survey has been taken up. Further consideration will be possible once the survey report becomes available.

Operational Performance of Major Ports

1094. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the Operational performance profile of major ports for the last three years, year-wise and port-wise by standard norms vis-a-vis targets;

(b) what is the provision of funds for modernisation/expansion and other facilities at major ports during the current year port-wise in general and for Maharashtra in particular with details of project;

(c) whether damurages on major ports are escalating for the last three years; if so, what are the details thereof port-wise and year-wise; and

(d) what specific action plan is worked out to improve performance profile of major ports in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The operational performance of Major ports during the last three years are as given below:

(In million tonnes)

	1992-93		1993-94		1994-95	
Part	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual*
Calcutta/ Haldia	17.20	18.34	19.71	18.50	19.81	20.49
Bombay	26.42	29.02	29.19	30.74	31.70	32.04
J.L. Nehru	3.71	3.01	3.63	3.39	3.95	5.01
Madras	23.88	25.33	27.05	26.54	27.29	29.46
Cochin	6.85	7.98	7.57	7.62	8.20	8.59
Vizag.	20.19	22.77	21.28	25.59	24.00	30.03
Kandla	19.98	22.91	22.57	24.50	23.75	26.51
Mormugao	17.01	16.31	16.33	18.72	18.20	18.88
Paradip	7.59	7.61	7.61	8.33	8.60	10.12
New Mangalore	8.48	7.09	8.76	8.63	8.70	8.01
Tuticorin	5.69	6.21	-6.30	6.70	6.80	8.04

(b) In Annual Plan 1995-96, an outlay of Rs. 721.43 crores has been provided for modernisation and expension of Major Ports in the country. The Port-wise allocation of funds is as under:

	(Rs. in crores)
Calcutta/Haldia	60.32
Bombay	143.61
J.L. Nehru	55.24
Madras	92.59
Cochin	50.00
Vizag.	53.00
Kandla	30.92
Mormugao	27.28
Paradip	77.93
New Mangalore	107.44
Tuticorin	23.10

During the current financial year 1995-96, an outlay of Rs. 198.85 crores has been provided for Major Ports in Maharashtra (Rs. 143.61 crores for Bombay and Rs. 55.24 crores for J.L. Nehru Port). The major projects under implementation at Major Ports in Maharashtra are as given below:

BOMBAY

(i) Replacement of submarine pipelines connection the Marine Oil Terminal at Jawahar Dweep and Pir Pau manifold; and

(ii) Consturction of an oil berth in replacement of an oil berth at Pir Pau.

J.L. NEHRU

Construction of approach/Bridge to service berths.

(c) The Ports do not pay demurrages on ships. Such demurrage, if any, is borne by the concerned Charterers/ Shipping agents.

(d) Various steps have been taken to improve the performance profile of Major Ports in the country, keeping in view the demands, Provisions of required infrastructure for handling the traffic at various Major Ports, relaxation of Cobotage Law, Rationalisation of manning scales and Privatisation in the areas where are constraints.

नशीले पदार्थों का अवैध धन्धा करने वाले लोगों को दंड दिया जाना

1095. **प्रो० विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा:** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान दिल्ली पुलिस द्वारा नशीली पदार्थों का अवैध धन्धा करने वाले कितने लोगों को गिरफ्तार किया गया है;

(ख) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि अनेक स्थानों पर नशीले पदार्थों का अवैध व्यापार पुलिस की मिली भगत से किया जा रहा है;

(ग) कितने और कौन-कौन से देशों में नशीले पदार्थों का अवैध धन्धा करने वालों को मृत्यु दंड दिए जाने का प्रावधान है; और

(घ) क्या भारत सरकार भी इस अपराध के लिए मृत्यु दंड का प्रावधान करने पर विचार कर रही है?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० एम० सईद): (क) वर्ष 1992, 1993, 1994 और 1995 (30.6.95 तक) के दौरान स्वापक औषधि और मनःप्रभावी पदार्थ अधिनियम, 1985 के अधीन दिल्ली पुलिस द्वारा गिरफ्तार किए गए व्यक्तियों की संख्या निम्न प्रकार है:—

वर्ष	गिरफ्तार किए गए व्यक्तियों की संख्या
1992	926
1993	801
1994	757
1995 (30.6.95 तक)	404

(ख) ऐसी कोई घटना सरकार की जानकारी में नहीं आई है।

(ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सदन के